

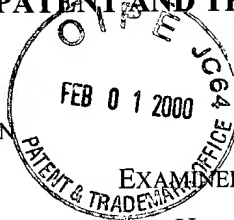
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Attorney Docket No. 15966-539 (CURA-39)

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

APPLICANTS: Rothberg *et al.*
ASSIGNEE: CURAGEN CORPORATION
SERIAL NUMBER: 09/417,386
FILING DATE: October 13, 1999
FOR: METHOD OF IDENTIFYING NUCLEIC ACIDS

EXAMINER: Not Yet Assigned
ART UNIT: 1643



February 1, 2000
Boston, Massachusetts

BOX Missing parts
Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a), applicants hereby petition for a one month extension of time to respond to the November 12, 1999 Notice to File Missing Parts in the above-identified application. With the extension, the response is due on or before February 12, 2000. A check in the amount of \$55.00, in payment of the fee required by 37 C.F.R. §1.17(a)(1), is enclosed herewith.

Please charge any additional fees that may be due, or credit any overpayment of same, to Deposit Account No. 50-0311, Reference No. 15966-539 (CURA-39). A duplicate copy of this Petition is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Shelby J. Walker".

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